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## **VIA HAND DELIVERY AND FIRST CLASS MAIL**

Mr. Christopher Hughey Acting General Counsel Federal Election Commission 999 E Street, NW Washington, DC 20463

Re: MUR 5926 (Republican Party of Minnesota and David E. Sturrock, in his official capacity as treasurer)

Dear Mr. Hughey:

I am in receipt of your March 18, 2011 letter enclosing the General Counsel's Brief recommending a finding of probable cause to believe that a violation occurred in MUR 5926.

In order to conduct a full review of the issues presented in the General Counsel's Brief, confer with our clients, and prepare a comprehensive response, we respectfully request an extension of 20 days to respond. A response would be due on Saturday, April 2, 2011. A 20-day extension would make the response due on Friday, April 22, 2011.

If you have any questions regarding this request please do not hesitate to contact me at (202) 719-7545. I very much appreciate your consideration of this request.

Sincerely.

Michael E. Toner

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